



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Re: Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

AF/6015  
DM-1003

In re Application of: Smith, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1756

Serial No: 09/943,644

Examiner: M. Angebranndt

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Devices, And Methods For Fabricating  
Optical Devices

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1.  **NOTICE OF APPEAL:** Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.191, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated \_\_\_\_\_ of the Examiner twice/finally rejecting claims \_\_\_\_\_.
2. **BRIEF** on appeal in this application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.192 is transmitted herewith in triplicate.
3.  An **ORAL HEARING** is respectfully requested under 37 CFR 1.194 (due within one month after Examiner's Answer).
4.  Reply Brief under 37 CFR 1.193(b) is transmitted herewith in triplicate.
5.  "Small entity" verified statement filed: [ ] herewith [ ] previously.

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